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A report on the Ullul-gun Farmers' Market, Hwanghae-namdo, which includes a sketch of the shops and other installations found in the market and the prices of commodities

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I. Details

2. The following are prices of commodities served at the Wilyul-gun Farmers' Market:

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<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit:</u>	<u>January 1957</u> <u>Price (Won):</u>	<u>May 1957</u> <u>Price (Won)</u>
Rice	small Hal ¹	650 - 680	700 - 730
Corn	"	350 - 370	400 - 430
Soghom	"	300 - 320	400 - 420
Kidney beans	"	700 - 730	800 - 850
Beans	"	400 - 420	500 - 520
Greenbeans	"	700 - 720	800 - 850
Buckwheat	"	250 - 270	350 - 370
Millet	"	500 - 520	600 - 630
Wheat	"	300 - 350	400 - 450
Pig	100 Kyr ²	8,000	-----
Pork	Kyr	200	180
sheat	Each	2,300 - 2,500	2,600 - 3,000

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Chickens	Each	450	500
chicken	"	100	120
Duck	"	350	---
Rabbit	"	150	200
Dog	"	1,800	2,200 - 2,500
Alaska pollack	"	15 --	20
Alaska pollack, Dried	"	10 --	15 10 -- 15
Pheasant	"	350	---
Brawn	Kun	120 --	150
Octopus	10 octopuses	---	40
Oyster	2-Hop bowl	70	40
Shell-fish	2-Hop bowl	30	20
Silver carp	2-Hop bowl	40	30
Shell-fish, salted	Kilogram	---	---
		*National Price: 70 Won.	
Cuttle-fish, dried	Each	---	---
		*National price: 10 Won.	
Egg	10 eggs	130	150
Onion	Bundle	20	10
Radish	Kwan ⁴	20	---
Vegetable	Bundle	---	5
Soju (Liquor)	Liter	---	---
		*National Price: 275 Won.	
Giner wine	3-Hop bottle	---	---
		*National Price: 450 Won.	
Vodka	3-Hop bottle	---	---
		*National Price: 450 Won.	
Makkolli (Strong and poor quality liquor)	10-Hop bottle	150	170
Acorn wine	Liter	---	---
		*National Price: 220 Won.	
Apple	Each	10; 15	20; 25
Persimmon	"	5; 10	---
Meal	Table ⁵	100	100
Rice in soup	Bowl	50; 70	50; 70
Naengmyon (Noodle)	Bowl	50; 70	50; 70; 100
Dog meat in soup	Bowl	50; 70	50; 70
Noodle	Bowl	50; 70	50; 70
Beancurd in soup	Bowl	---	---
		*National Price: 50 Won & 70 Won	
Chapch'ae	Dish	---	---
		*National Price: 100 Won & 150 Won	
Rice-cake	Piece	10	10

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Siruttol/k (Seamed rice-bread) Dish			
		*National Price: 50 Won	
Yot (Rice-candy)	Kyn	80; 90	80; 90
Pan-cake	Piece	10	10
Popcorn	small Toe ⁶		
Suit, Serge, Black, Winter, Ready-made	Pair	4,200 - 4,500	
Suit, Serge, White, Summer, Ready-made	Pair		3,200 - 3,500
Suit, Corduroy, Winter, Ready-made	Pair	6,500	
Suit, Hemp, Winter, Ready-made	Pair	3,500 - 3,800	
Suit, Hemp, Summer, Ready-made	Pair		2,400 - 2,500
Military uniform, Private, Winter, OD	Pair	4,500 - 4,700	
Military uniform, Private, Summer, OD	Pair		900 - 1,100
Clothes, Hemp, Winter, Cotton-padded, Laborer, Dark blue, Ready-made	Pair	4,300 - 4,500	
Clothes, Hemp, Cotton, Summer, White, Ready-made	Pair		950 - 1,100
Coat, Hemp, Farmer, Winter, OD	Each	3,000 - 3,500	
Coat, Poplin, Korean-style, Woman, Summer	Each		1,500 - 1,700
Military overcoat, Hemp, Cotton-padded, Private, OD	Each	3,500 - 3,800	
Trousers, Serge, Woman, Summer	Each		1,500 - 1,700
Underwear, coat, cotton, winter, Chinese	Each	2,700 - 3,000	
Underwear, coat, cotton, spring, autumn, Chinese	Each		2,000 - 2,100
Shirt, Dressing, Poplin	Each		1,800 - 2,000
T-Shirt	Each		450 - 500
Socks	Pair		
		*National Price: 70 Won, 90 Won & 110 Won.	
Gloves, Cotton	Pair	150 - 200	
		*National Price: 80 Won & 90 Won.	

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Lenin Cap, Serge	Each	450 - 500	450 - 500
Lenin Cap, Hemp	Each	300 - 350	300 - 350
Hat, Farmer, Summer	Each	-----	150
Cap, Wool, Leather, Winter, Soviet	Each	1,800 - 2,000	-----
Cap, Poplin, Wool, Infant, Winter	Each	350 - 370	-----
Cap, Poplin, Infant, Summer	Each	-----	250 - 270
Cotton cloth, Poor quality	1m x 70cm	-----	-----
		*National Price: 475 Wpn.	
Cotton cloth, Fair quality	1m x 70cm	-----	-----
		*National Price: 570 Wpn.	
Hemp cloth, Ordinary quality	1m x 70cm	-----	-----
		*National Price: 470 Wpn.	
Serge, good quality	1m x 1m	-----	-----
		*National Price: 1,000 Wpn.	
Sudan (Silk cloth)	1m x 70cm	-----	-----
		*National Price: 1,370 Wpn.	
Mobondan (Silk cloth)	1m x 70cm	-----	-----
		*National Price: 1,900 Wpn.	
Soap (Hsiang Ch'un), Toilet, Chinese	Cake	250	250
Soap, Toilet	Cake	150; 230	150; 230
Soap, Laundry	Bar	150; 170	150; 170
Soap, Laundry, Chinese	Bar	120; 130	120; 130
Cream (Pai Hsiung), Face, Chinese	Bottle	450	450
Cream, Face	Bottle	250; 300	250; 300
Tooth paste, Chinese	Each	250	250
Tooth paste	Each	40 - 50	40 - 50
Tooth brush, Wooden	Each	35 - 40	35 - 40
Tooth brush, Celluloid, Chinese	Each	150	150
Perfume	Bottle	90; 150	90; 150
Perfume, Chinese	Bottle	250; 350	250; 300
Pomade, Hair	Pack	-----	-----
		*National Price: 250 Wpn.	
Rouge	Pack	50; 100; 150	50; 100; 150
Handkerchief, Chinese	Each	250; 300	250; 300
Fountainpen (Ta Ch'eng), Chinese	Each	800 - 850	800 - 850
Pencil (Kanggye)	Each	-----	-----
		*National Price: 10 Wpn.	
Notebook, 30 sheets	30cm x 20cm	-----	-----
		*National Price: 30 Wpn.	

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Ink, Chinese	Bottle	*National Price: 250 Wpn.	
Ink	Bottle	*National Prices: 150 Wpn & 200 Wpn.	
Kerosene	10 Gallons	7,500	7,500
Lunch-box, Aluminum	Each	250; 300	250; 300
Chain, Watch, Chinese	Each	400 - 450	400 - 450
Shoes, Canvas, Rubber soles, Black	Pair	*National Price: 430 - 470 Wpn	
Shoes, Canvas, Rubber soles, White	Pair	*National Price: 430 - 470 Wpn	
Shoes, Rubber, Women, white	Pair	450 - 550	450 - 500
Shoes, rubber, Women, black	Pair	220 - 350	220 - 350
Shoes, Rubber, Men, black	Pair	400 - 450	400 - 450
Labor shoes, Canvas, Rubber Soles	Pair	*National Price: 200 - 250 Wpn	
"Singer" sewing machine, Used, U.S.	Each	35,000 - 40,000	
Sewing machine, used, Japanese	"	22,000 - 28,000	
Watch, Wall, Japanese, used	"	1,800 - 2,500	
Watch, Table, New, Soviet	"	*National Price: 4,000 Wpn.	
"Seiko" watch, Wrist, used	"	1,200 - 1,500	
Playing cards, Korean-style	Set	80; 100	
Cards, Chinese	Set	250; 300	
Cotton, New, Good quality	Kyn	700 - 750	600 - 650
Cotton, New Poor quality	Kyn	600 - 650	450 - 500
Cotton, Used	Kyn	350 - 400	250 - 350
Raw cotton, Good quality	Kyn	220	
Raw cotton, Poor quality	Kyn	170 - 180	
Blanket, Military, OD, Used, Soviet	Each	4,000 - 4,500	3,000 - 3,500
Blanket, Brown, Used, Japanese	Each	3,500	2,800
Button, Celluloid	Each	10	10
Hook, Clothes	Pair	15; 20	15; 20
Cattle	Each	50,000 - 53,000	60,000 - 65,000
Sheep	Each	18,000 - 22,000	
Popcorn machine, used	Each	18,000 - 25,000	
Bag, straw	Each	100 - 150	

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Mat, Reed	3.952 square yards	1,200 - 1,500	----
Mat, straw	3.952 square yards	250 - 300	----
Firewood	Bundle	20	----
Reeds, Fuel	Bundle	18 - 20	----
Pot, Iron, cooking	Each	-----	----
*National Price: 450 W on , 600 W on & 800 W on .			
Carrier, A-frame	Each	150	----

- NOTES: 1. Small Mal - nine (9) liters
 2. K~~yn~~ - 1.24 lbs.
 3. Hop - .72 liters
 4. Kwan - 8.27 lbs.
 5. Table: Consists of 300 grams of rice, Kimch'i, beansurd in soup, and miscellaneous culinary plants.
 6. Small Toe - .9 kilograms

3. The following is an explanation of the attached sketch (Willyul-gun Farmers' Market):

- 1) Market entrance, approximately seven (7) meters wide (no structure).
- 2) Consists of the Willyul-gun Branch of the Hwanghae-namdo Financial Statistics Department, using one (1), one (1)-story cement-tile roof building; one (1) tailor shop of the Willyul-gun Conveniences Co-operative; one (1) barbershop of the Willyul-gun Conveniences Co-operative; and one (1) studio of the Willyul-gun Conveniences Co-operative.
- 3) Consists of one (1) private tinshop making containers; one (1) barbershop of the Willyul-gun Conveniences Cooperative; one (1) beauty parlor of the Willyul-gun Conveniences Cooperative; and one (1) private shoe shop.
- 4) Consists of one (1) private shoe shop; one (1) private grocery store; the "P'y~~on~~gyang" Studio (private); and two (2) private residences.
- 5) Consists of the market branch of the Epidemics Prevention Station, controlled by the Willyul-gun People's Committee; and two (2) residences occupied by the branch personnel and their dependents.
- 6) Consists of three (3), private oil stores selling beanoil, kerosene, and etc.; three (3) private fish stores; and two (2) private greens stores.

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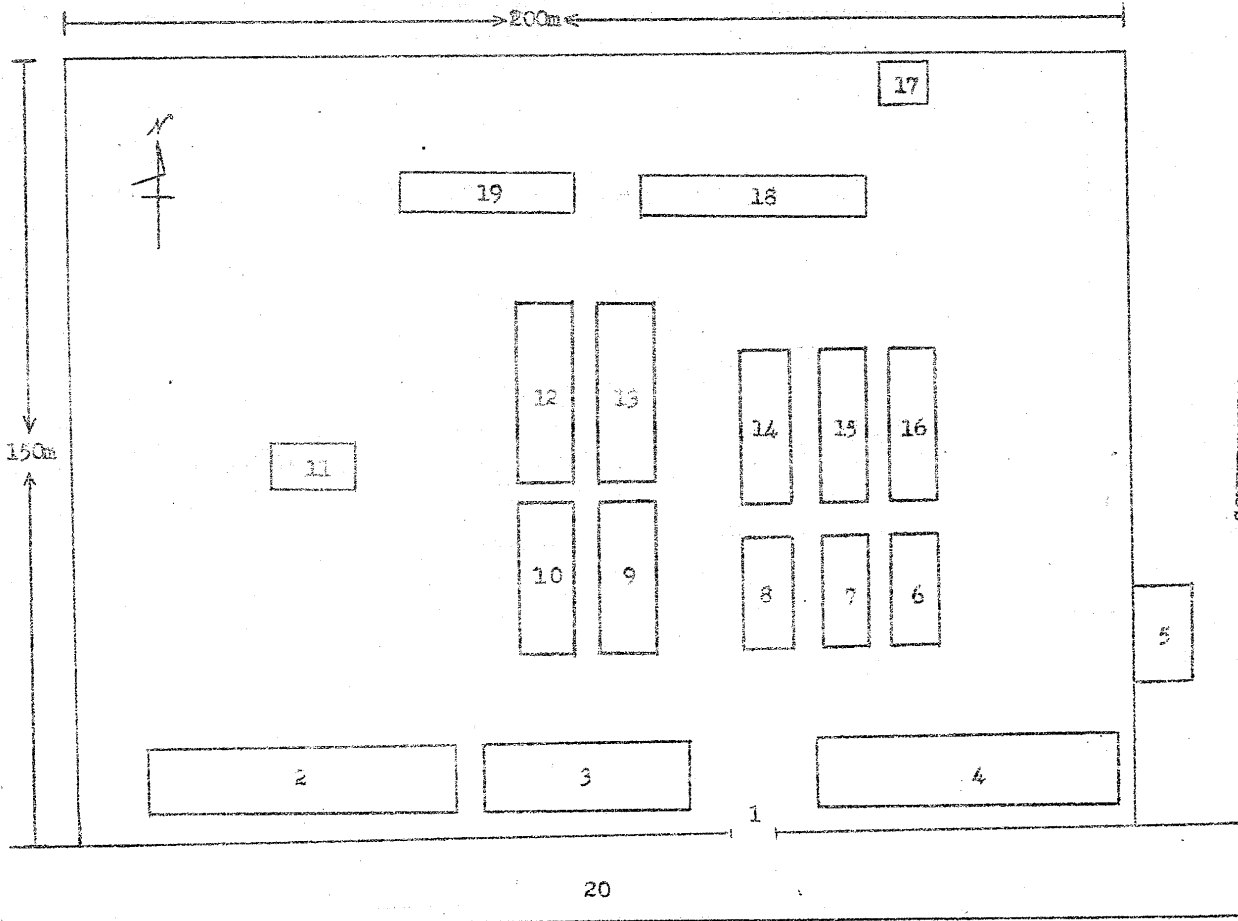
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- 7) Consists of seven (7) grocery stores of the Wilyul-gun Production & Sales Cooperative.
- 8) Consists of one (1) private silk cloth store; one (1) clothes store of the Wilyul-gun Production & Sales Cooperative; one (1) ironware store of the Wilyul-gun Production & Sales Cooperative; and three (3) grocery stores of the Wilyul-gun Production & Sales Cooperative.
- 9) Consists of one (1) private fruit store; one (1) private rice-cake store; one (1) private noodle store; and one (1) private grocery store.
- 10) Consists of three (3) private rice-cake stores; and three (3) private fruit stores.
- 11) Wilyul-gun Consumers' Guild Restaurant of a straw roof structure with dirt walls (plastered with lime), approximately 13 meters long, seven (7) meters wide, and 3.5 meters high.
- 12) Consists of 11 grain stores (private).
- 13) Consists of a number of "consumers' guild" grocery stores.
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- 15) Consists of two (2) private noodle stores; and two (2) private clothes stores.
- 16) Consists of one (1) private salt stores; one (1) private straw goods store; and two (2) private cotton stores.
- 17) Peace Restaurant (private).
- 18) Consists of five (5) private pigs stores; and five (5) private chickens stores.
- 19) Consists of the "market grain purchasing station"; and three (3) private popcorn stores.
- 20) Dirt-paved road, approximately 12 meters wide.
- 21) Consists of the Wilyul-gun National Drug Store; and the Wilyul-gun National Bookstore.

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